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SUBJ: MAJOR PROJECT: MASS RAPID TRANSIT

REF: A) STATE 129417 B) KUALA LUMPUR 2986

1. ACCORDING TO GOH HOCK GUAN, PROJECT DESIGNER, PLAN (WHICH VERY MUCH IN TENTATIVE STAGES) IS ENVISAGED TO BE EITHER GROUND LEVEL OR PERHAPS ELEVATED SYSTEM. EXTENSION TO PORT KLANG, WHILE CONSIDERED WITHIN CONTEXT OF PLAN, IS EVEN MORE OF LONG RANGE POSSIBILITY THAN PROJECT FOR KUALA LUMPUR. WE UNDERSTAND THAT PLAN CALLS FOR ROUGHLY 19 MILE TRANSPORT SYSTEM. GOH STATED THAT HE HOPES THAT FUNDS CAN BE OBTAINED FROM EITHER IBRD OR ADB TO FINANCE PROJECT. HE STATED, HOWEVER, THAT THIS HAS NOT BEEN DISCUSSED WITH THESE AGENCIES.

2. GOH GOING TO U.S. PRIMARILY TO OBTAIN MORE INFORMATION FROM CITY PLANNERS AND COMPANIES INVOLVED IN RAPID TRANSIT ABOUT THEIR EXPERIENCES. HE IS ALREADY WELL DISPOSED TOWARDS U.S. PRODUCTS, AND A WARM RECEPTION COULD PAY LARGE DIVIDENDS IF THIS PROJECT EVER MATERIALIZES. HE WILL BE QUITE HAPPY TO BRIEF COMMERCE OFFICIALS ON PROJECT IN WASHINGTON.

3. IN ADDITIONAL INDICATION OF HIGH LEVEL INTEREST IN THIS PROJECT., STRONG POSSIBILITY EXISTS THAT

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KHALIL AKASAH PRIVATE SECRETARY TO PRIME MINISTER RAZAK

MAY ACCOMPANY GOH ON TRIP.
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